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SUBJECT: PRC AMBASSADOR TO HANOI ON VIETNAMESE ACTIVITY
IN THAILAND

REF: A) BANGKOK 26696 B) HONG KONG 15010

1. IN AMBASSADOR STEWART'S COMMENTS TO US REPORTED IN
RETFEL B, HE DID NOT SPECIFICALLY MENTION MILITARY IN-
VASION OR COVERT SUPPORT FOR THAI INSURGENCY, BUT SPOKE
RATHER IN GENERAL TERMS OF THE PRC OPPOSITION TO VIETNAMESE
MILITARY ADVENTURISM IN THAILAND. (SUBJECT TITLE OF
RETEL B MAY HAVE BEEN MISLEADING IN THIS RESPECT.)
NO MENTION WAS MADE OF WHAT FORM ANY SUCH PRC OPPOSITION
WOULD TAKE, AND INDEED WE WOULD NOT HAVE EXPECTED
AMBASSADOR FU HAO TO HAVE BEEN PRECISE ON THIS POINT NOR,
OF COURSE, TO APPEAR TO BE OPPOSING "REVOLUTION". THE
REPORT SEEMS VALUABLE TO US IN THAT IT PORTRAYS THE
NEGATIVE CHINESE ATTITUDE TOWARD HANOI'S POSSIBLE

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AMBITIONS IN THAILAND EVEN THOUGH IT DOES NOT DELINEATE

THIS ATTITUDE IN DETAIL. PARTICULARLY SIGNIFICANT IS THAT A SEASONED PRC DIPLOMAT WAS WILLING TO SAY EVEN THAT MUCH TO A WESTERNER.

2. AMBASSADOR STEWART HAS RETURNED TO HANOI VIA VIENTIANE, BUT DURING HIS STOPOVER IN LAOS HE MET ONE OF OUR CONGEN OFFICERS AND ONCE AGAIN REFERRED TO THE REMARKS BY FU HAO CONCERNING PRC OPPOSITION TO VIETNAMESE MILITARY ACTIVITY IN THAILAND BUT DID NOT ADD TO OR CLARIFY HIS PREVIOUS REMARKS.

3. LONDON WAS INADVERTENTLY LEFT OFF REFTEL B. THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO REPEAT THIS MESSAGE AND REFTELS TO LONG. CROSS

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